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TO SECSTATE WASHINGTON DC 2392

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C O N F I D E N T I A L MANAMA 0976

NEA/ARP FOR AMBASSADOR TWINAM

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT : KOREA AT NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE (NAC)

REFERENCE : STATE 195243 AND PREVIOUS

1. UNLESS THERE IS SOME REASON TO BELIEVE THAT POSITION OF SAUDI ARABIA AND OTHER CONSERVATIVE ARAB STATES ON KOREAN QUESTION IS CHANG
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ING, THERE APPEARS NO REASON TO BELIEVE THAT BAHRAINI POSITION WILL. IN THE ABSENCE FROM THE ISLAND OF THE FOREIGN MINISTER, WE HAVE NO REASON TO BELIEVE THAT THE POSITION OF BAHRAIN WILL CHANGE FROM THAT REPORTED AUGUST 11 AND EARLIER (MANAMA 945 AND STATE 186527). THAT IS, AT THE NAC, BAHRAIN FAVORS TREATING BOTH KOREAS EQUALLY, I.E., BOTH OR NEITHER SHOULD BE ADMITTED.

2. ON THE QUESTION OF THE TWO DRAFT RESOLUTIONS SUBMITTED THUS FAR (THE "FRIENDLY" AND "HOSTILE"), THE SENIOR GOB FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL PRESENT ON THE ISLAND TOLD THE BRITISH CHARGE' ON AUGUST 17 THAT THE FOREIGN MINISTER WILL BE ANALYZING THE TEXTS PERSONALLY, BUT THAT THERE IS NO REASON TO EXPECT ANY CHANGE IN PREVIOUSLY EX-
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PRESSED BAHRAINI VIEWS, WITH THE ONE CAVEAT THAT THERE NOT BE A MAJOR

CHANGE IN ARAB POSITION AS ARTICULATED BY SAUDI ARABIA. HE FURTHER NOTED THAT THE GOB "APPRECIATED" HOW IMPORTANT THIS ISSUE IS TO THE USG AND UK.

3. COMMENT: WHILE WE WILL CONTINUE TO TOUCH ON THE KOREA ISSUE WITH THE SENIOR MFA OFFICIAL PRESENT IN BAHRAIN, IT APPEARS THAT ANY EFFECTIVE LOBBYING WILL HAVE TO BE DONE WITH THE FOREIGN MINISTER, EITHER IN LIMA OR NEW YORK. HE HAS, IT WILL BE RECALLED (MANAMA 957) ALREADY ASKED FOR APPOINTMENTS, IF POSSIBLE, WITH THE SECRETARY AND ASSISTANT SECRETARY ATHERTON IN NEW YORK.
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